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Our Lady of Guadalupe: Sources in English

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According to tradition, the Virgin of Guadalupe appeared to Juan Diego, an Indian, on a hill near the outskirts of Mexico City on a December morning in 1531. Before the Conquest, the site of her apparition, Tepeyac, had been a sacred place dedicated to the Aztec goddess, Tonantzin. Her image, imprinted on Juan Diego's mantle, was one of a brown-skinned madonna with pre-Columbian vestiges, and struck a chord with her early supplicants. A cult soon developed around "La Morenita." She was adopted as a symbol of Mexican nationalism, and has become a rallying point for political and social movements from the Mexican countryside of the insurgents to the fields of California's farmworkers. To her devotees, La Virgen de Guadalupe invokes faith, hope, and compassion; she embraces the cause of the poor, the ignored, the voiceless, the oppressed. In short, La Reina de México and Emperatriz de las Américas, as she is often referred to, has left a profound impact of the religious and cultural life of Mexicans and Mexican Americans.

The works listed below are a representative sampling of both popular and scholarly books and articles on the Virgin of Guadalupe in English in the University of Texas at Austin General Libraries. Additional sources, including a great many in Spanish, can be found in UTCAT, the online library catalog, using the subject search "Guadalupe, Our Lady of". Electronic resources are also listed below.

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ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

There are a number of exhibits on the World Wide Web devoted to the topic, "Our Lady of Guadalupe." Two of them can be found at:

<http://ng.netgate.net/~norberto/materdei.html>

and

<http://spin.com.mx/~msalazar/>

To find all such exhibits, go to the "AltaVista Search" page (<http://www.altavista.digital.com/>) and enter the search phrase "Our Lady of Guadalupe." Note: Include quotation marks.

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